

OCT. 1

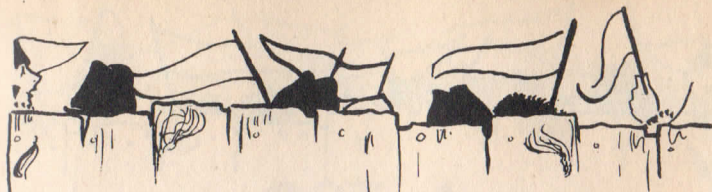
19 October, already, and another 6 months we will be well on our way home. Today we had a beautiful spring day, sun shining bright white all around, although the day

19 started off bad. Woke up this morning 30° below and 20 m. wind. So no work on the Fairchild today either. At 10³⁰ it cleared up. - Had my puppies up in harness

19 Today, and it did not turn out so good. Power seems to take more control - The whole team went into the tunnel, sled & all I was all in. Had for radio-class a

19 transmitter down here, communicating with radio shack. - Fine connection. Are having movies tonight. "Air mail" - very good!

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OCT. 2

19 Slept good, and was up early to grab pot, then told Mr. Morgan, Black & I were going out to 2 m. to shoot. Tavo's ready at 8³⁰. He finally got away

19 at 11³⁰. Pulling was heavy as had 5 puppies. Ski & Power up passed the Ford and Fairchild. They were out of the camp digging there. Sun was

19 shining bright. Tavo was way ahead of Morgan's team and he needs trail practice before he goes out. Went up hill for two miles, and pitched tent. Got apparatus

19 made and made ready to shoot. The record did not show anything. It started to blow at 6 PM, so we came back to camp at 9 PM. Hungry and tired.

19 Turned in at 10³⁰.



OCT. 3

19 The liquor is flowing free again. Ting, James and Cox are all in. Was Commanding Officer a fine sight, in Marshall. You are not talking and a good team thing and he could

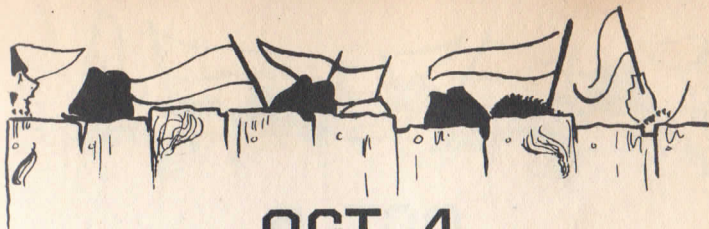
19 not see. - Spent quite some time down here and listened to the broadcast had the only one greeting on the program from Uncle Pete. It went over 100%

19 from here. Eastern Party was on. -

Took 5 dogs out for a short run. - In evening we had movies: Winney takes all. - Very good. - News from tractor,

19 they are 180 m. out; and 3000 ft. high. - Pete sent a message to his daughter for birthday. Bill was asleep last night. It was drifting and a cold day.

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OCT. 4

19 Were called at 7 pm. but there was a 24 m. wind with drifts; so I turned over to sleep again. 6° below zero. - Had some food in galley. These they

19 were cleaning up. The Admiral was expected back in place today. Bristlin, pilot, Bailey, & Jhr. -

Started down here to cut down

19 skis. They will be light & nice. Had radio class between her & Radio Shack at 2. Kept it going until 4. Had a good supper tonight.

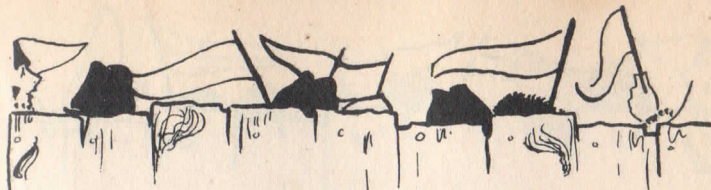
19 At 8:00 we had a fine movie: State fair - Janet Layton. -

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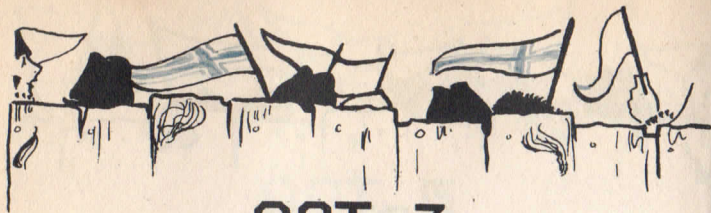
OCT. 5

- 19 24 m. wind with heavy drift, temp
0° - nice and warm. Had house job in
"Ed" Bldg. then went down here.
Have had trouble with Lucia. It
19 want work at slow speed.
After Ob. Albert & I loaded dropers.
mean on 4 trailer sleds. But it
was drifting heavy, and a cold job -
19 How Morgan is going to get to the
Plateau is a puzzle to me. He is
no trailman at all, so before we leave,
I'll ask to get charge of trail-Operations -
19 After supper the wind increased, and drift
is getting worse. Tractor-party did not travel
yesterday. They had blizzard. - Spent the
evening down here alone, inside the
19 wind was howling loud. Was awaiting
the Dr. to come down, but he had
a couple of patients



OCT. 6

- 19 Was talking with Doc. until 12 P.M. Last
night. All bands like him. His job on the
trailer was good one. 15 ft. and he filled
it up.
19 Felt like dunc in morning; slept sound.
Still wind 24 m. and drift -
After Ob. it cleared and Albert & I went
3 miles south with our trailers with
19 dogfood. Fine weather, and took some
pictures on the way.
Was back before 5. Met tractor 7 m.
up. They were stuck, had trouble -
19 started today to write all my
letters. Worked down here again,
and went to Movies at 9 P.M.
Turned in at 12³⁰ P.M.
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OCT. 7

19 A day of drift and high winds greeted me when I came on top. Went down and saw my dogs on the line.

19 The rest of the day I have spent down here until supper time, wrote all my letters and listened to special radio program from San Francisco, and later

19 Letters from Schenectady. - Factor party East was still at 1800 m. they had had a blizzard 60 m. wind. are now high up approx 3000 ft -

19 There was not a single message for me. I must have been forgotten by everybody. Spent the evening down here alone until 11 P.M.

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OCT. 8

19 The whole night did we have a blizzard, 50 m. wind, and heavy drift. Slept like all others until 9 AM. Then went down here and worked on the 19 skis I am making. Had a tough time going up against the drifts, went over and saw my dogs, they were all buried. Took some pictures of them. Had radio communication between Marshall and radio shack. We all seem to learn how radio now is working. After supper I went down here but could not find the 19 entrance. Hunted for a while it was 2 ft. drifted over.

Developed 3 rolls of film tonight and they were all fairly good. I must be a flop 19 as a photographer. When we left we had a tough time getting out, snow all over. There was more, but I did not know about it.



OCT. 9

19 Turned out early for breakfast. It was a 12 mile wind. But I got before forenoon fixed the entrance here. Quite a job.

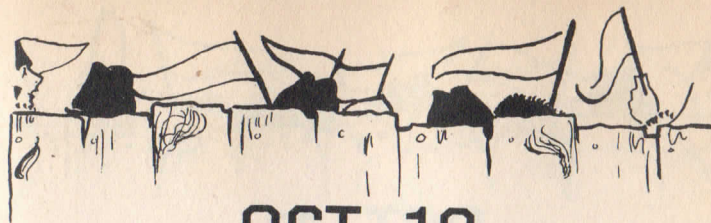
After Ob - Albert & I finished weighing up 19 do - food to go south. - 972#.

Just began sign of spring today, 3 birds flying over us. - Snow sign. - It is a mucky weather poor visibility.

19 Spent rest of evening down here.

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OCT. 10

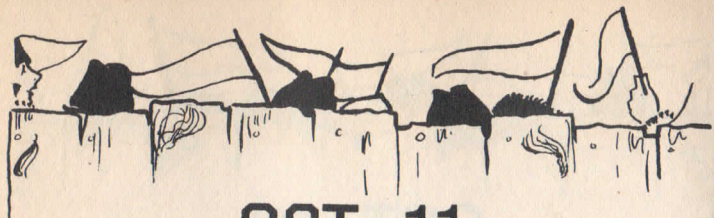
19 High wind and drift. nothing much done outside. Russell & Paine went 9 miles south today with their trailers. Spent about 9 hrs. One dog

19 Tied in harness. Too hard from the beginning I believe.

After radio class John & I went down to another place on the cornice and 19 made jumps 30 & 38 feet. The best one so far. It was drifty and cold but good slide.

Had the Smiling Lieutenant for 19 movie. Quite same objection to Morgan going south. He is not much of a leader and shows great disinterest.

19 Times reported tractor with June 189 m. east. broken down clutch. They found a high plateau



OCT. 11

19 24 m wind and high drift. I heard early this morning, so I turned over and slept again until 9 AM. Then went down to work until 10.

19 time. Cut Taylor's hair & Shroff's hair. In afternoon took Morgan & Black out 2 1/2 m. left them there, as they were going to stay there overnight. Came back

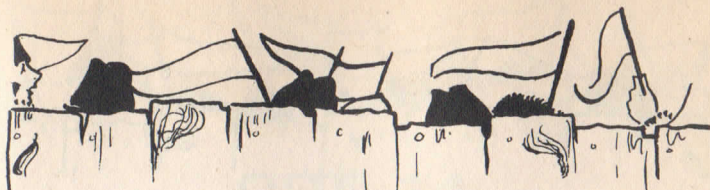
19 hrs again in fine form as the dogs were running good.

In eve. after supper, the great Caribou came down, later on

19 Albert, and were then working on the skin.

What a surprise I got a radio, the first for a long time.

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OCT. 12

Turned out 9 AM and played around. 19 Albert & Brown left south, all dogs out. After 10 I went for Morgan and took a couple of shots there and came home for supper time. Airplane

19 was back then with the Adm. & Dr. Paulin. They had been searching for Mt. How's Jimmy. She stayed to go each with tractor.

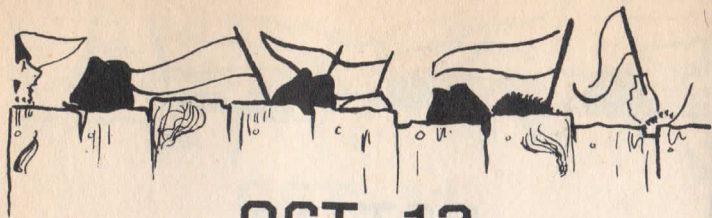
19 There is 42 snow tonight; but John & I & Arlo went down to see hill. Came 4 ft feet today. Fine sunset, but thought it is very

19 light at 12 PM.

Sent radio to Mrs. Nash this eve. 13 hr birthday.

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THANKS FOR RADIO WILL I HEAR FROM YOU WHEN YOU ARE ON THE TRAIL WILL YOU GET MY RADIOS
MRS NASH MEX GEBRRSTAG 13 OCTOBER TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF WE ARE ALL FINE HERE REGARDS



OCT. 13

19 Saturday, and the 13th, we had fine clear weather at 8 AM. But it soon cleared over, into a good blizzard. Went down here to camp. Quite and peaceful. Taylor

19 called for me at 9 AM. Dr. Paulter wanted to speak to me. And about Morgan. - So from today I have full charge of transportation for Plateau Party. - Allen has been in camp the

19 whole day. He is sick. Last night Peter had to pass for him chaining a pole, performing some at the mt. House. He was there in camp. Have not seen him yet. But they

19 say he is white in face & hair. He slept last night in O. Bldg. next to me. Tractor with Jimmie returning, so is Tractor at the Mt. House. I have movies to-night.

19 Dr. Wifes. - very good.



OCT. 14

19 It was a cloudy day, zero, quite warm. Eastern Party was lined up ready to leave. Got going 11 AM. They got 15 m. first day. A small party followed them

19 7 miles. Dr. Paulter got the list over all supplies from Morgan & I started to go through it all. Now we seem to be well on our way. Morgan slept

19 until 7 PM. and he. went up on the hill for his instruments, I was too busy.

19 Fixed skins and packed up last night. until light went away 10 P.M.

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OCT. 15

Same weather today, warm. Went up
19 to breakfast 7³⁰ and got cooker,
shovel etc. in shape. Then got all
sleds in line, and almost packed.
Morgan still sleeping. -

19 Went down here after O. packed
ready and took a bath. Very good.
The last one for 3 months.

There was a movie: Tom a fugitive from a
19 gang. Saw only the beginning. -

Went to B.H. and wrote some letters and
went to bed tired at 12 P.M. Had a
A. examination and found ok. Weight

19 156th a gain of two pounds. Blood pressure
120. Very normal. Enjoyed the nice
radio from Fila. -

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RECEIVED YOUR JAN LETTER IN JUNE AND YOUR CABLE OF JULY WHILE YOU ENJOYING - - - -
YOUR LONG DAY WE ARE IN THE MIDST OF RAINY SEASON I SPENT TWO MONTHS AMONG THE INDIANS OF
PANAMA LAST DRY SEASON AND HOPE TO GO FOR FOUR MONTHS NEXT YEAR BUT WILL SURELY TRY TO
BE IN PANAMA IN JUNE WHEN YOU ARRIVE MY VERY BEST WISHES TO YOU



OCT. 16

-24°C.

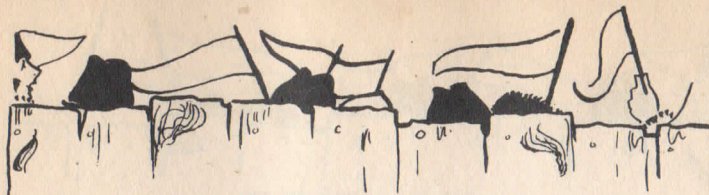
16 or 26 miles

Finally we got away, at 11²⁰. It was cloudy,
19 and warm 10 above zero. The whole
camp was out to see us off. Murphy pro-
mised to send to Norway an important
message for Albot & self. The Adm.

19 said we had something to live up to. -
Dr Paulsen was nice and gave me the
instructions needed. Liked that very much.
So what it looked from that letter, I bet -

19 really ruin the whole show. But not
officially though. Shortly after leaving all
6 beans got into a mess, but we got soon
straight again. Going was heavy soft snow,

19 so puppies worked hard and splendid. -
Picked up our trailers 30 miles out; they were
completely buried. Pulled hard up to high
barrier. Camped 10 m. from h. A. Heaman made
picture of camping; a fine view. Took too. -



OCT. 17

-19°C.

36 miles

19 All hands turned out at 7 AM. Cook Morgan started to work, and we cleared tent. Was delayed some time: Hermann wanted to take Morris of breaking Camp. I took too. Got going at 10³⁰ AM. I was

19 the last one to leave and Hermann followed us $\frac{1}{2}$ hr. I gave the last wave as he was spanking. Snow was soft and dogs were working hard.

Had to camp at 3³⁰ PM. All hands tired and 19 the day brought us only 10 mi. further south. It looks like it will be a hard pull to get all the way to the mts. - The dogs all got extra ration tonight. But we surely have to make better mileage.

19 The tent works out fine, we are comfortably sitting on our sleeping bags with a primus in front of us. Outside the wind is howling. In the small cooking compartment Gil is sitting and passing food out to us. Wind at 6 PM. approx. 10 m/hr.



OCT. 18

46 miles

-25°C.

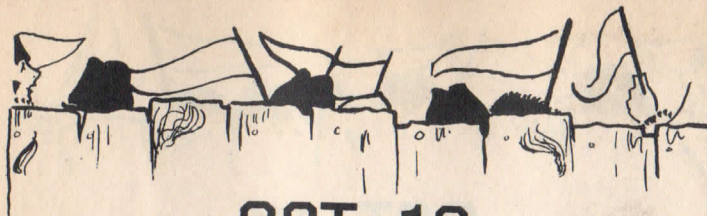
19 Out again at 8³⁰ - this morning, for $\frac{1}{2}$ hr. the dogs had made quite some noise so when I went out, found four of them running loose around. Picked one of them,

19 and I believe he had visited a "lady" in the early morning hrs. - We got underway at 10⁴⁵ AM. Real soft snow and going heavy. Under the sled runners were ice which made the

19 pulling terrible. The sleds would not go either made 5 miles to 25 mile seacon, and then dumped 135 - $\frac{1}{2}$ ^F cubes of dog food. From there and up to where we are camped now was a long hill

19 so total mileage only 10 miles. We cleaned the primus and expect to do good tomorrow. Fixed the radio first up, ready to take a time signal. - Sun is shining bright to night

19 and we can see primus to the west approx. 10 to 15 miles away. One dog has been running loose whole day, we have tried to catch her, but she is very shy.



OCT. 19

-29° C.

60.1

61 miles

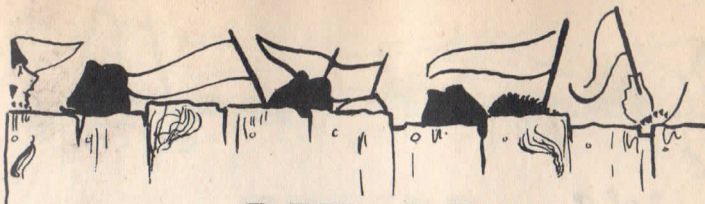
19 Had a late start in the morning. Had my first radio-schedule at 7³⁰ and it worked fine. Sent 3 messages and received 2. Started 10³⁰. Our leader was late. He has to speed up

19 in the morning. The going was heavy, but got better after a few miles. We did 15 miles. Snow came up and it was beautiful to look over the barrier.

19 Camped to-night at our 44 beacon from last year. It is cold; but heat in the provisions makes it cozy inside.

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OCT. 20

61.1 miles

77.5 miles

-13° F.

19 Woke up early and heard the wind beating in the tent, a regular blizzard 3000' wind and drift. Threw over in the sleeping bag and turned out at 8³⁰

19 Had breakfast consisting of oatmeal and biscuits. Were sitting in the tent the whole day listening to tent clack. Reading most of the time and hoping

19 for better snow tomorrow. Today is Mrs W. birthday. Congratulations! - which I am not prepared to send over radio yet. Two post ago I was in the

19 surroundings - - -

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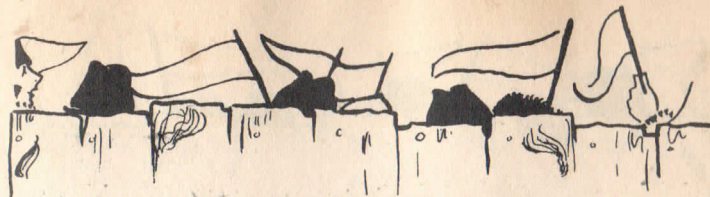


-30°C.

OCT. 21

77.65 miles.

The wind was still blowing strong when
 19 we turned out at 8 AM. Decided to go
 ahead hoping for better surface. Shortly after
 leaving our 44° beacon from our fall-
 journey last year, the wind died down and the
 19 surface got real good. Went approx. 6 miles
 to the 50 m. beacon in less than 2 hrs., sled-
 and skins slid fine. My team of young
 puppies pulled well, and were not so tired
 19 as two days before. Total distance today
 17 1/2 which went fast. We get too late start
 in the morning, our cook, the leader is too
 slow. I believe we will have lots of things to
 19 put up with an account of time before we
 again reach A. He gets no result of his
 dog; the whip seems to be his remedy.
 All hands tired tonight; will be good to creep
 19 into the warm sleeping bag.



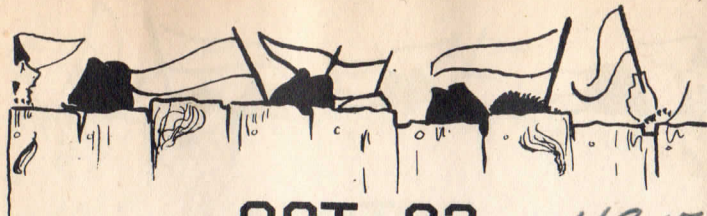
94.35 miles

OCT. 22

-34°C

Got away at 9⁴⁰ in fine weather & no
 19 wind. Surface good, traveling fast, went
 5 miles to Cleatoc in 1 1/2 hr. min.
 Took some pictures there, first time I
 have felt the sun since Febr. - a
 19 long time in darkness. Came in on the
 old trail, and tonight camped at 75 m
 beacon. Our hitch has been running loose
 & half mile for 4 days; finally tonight I
 19 caught her with a conical wire & loop
 with food in center. Bramt. Alex stops
 over until two P.M. at last camp to take
 some magnetic measurements. They made
 19 a good travel, were here before 7 P.M.
 162 1/2 m. pretty good. Sun is now
 shining bright day and night.

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OCT. 23

119.15 miles

-35°C.

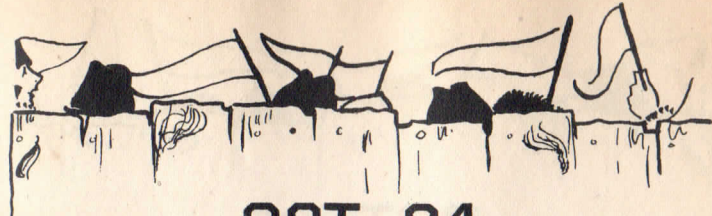
Got an early start at 8⁴⁰, and
19 had the finest weather, joy to sleds in
bright light and smooth surface. Dogs all
pulled well stopped at 9¹⁵ am. for supper
and gave the dogs rest and some food.

19 Then started off again and made the
Advanced Base at 8³⁰. A long day for
the dogs; they are wonderful!

My 3 companions sleep in the shack to-
19 night; I in a small tent outside, also
have radio sled in morning.

In the shack it's all a mess. Lots of
food still around; so we pleased us-
19 self tonight. Did not turn in be-
fore 12³⁰. Tired - After 25 miles of
walking.

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OCT. 24

119.15 miles

-24°C

19 Did not sleep much was up at 6³⁰
and had radio sled. 7³⁰. Got an message
off early, then my receiver did not oscillate.
Sent the remaining, and made sleds to-

19 night 9 P.M. The 3 all had the fire going
all night; I was cold in tent -

at 11³⁰ the Geol. Party came in to the Base
and set up their tents preparing to stay over

19 night, the started re-load their sleds,
and will get heavier loads than ours.

Installed radio in Adv. tent; and listened
for John to call me at 9 P.M. He did not,
19 so evidently he did not get me this
morning.

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OCT. 25

-44° F

119.15 miles

Had brilliant weather and fixed-up dif-
ferent things. At 12³⁰ the Geologic Party left us
with heavy loads. Our loads will be approx. 900^{lb}
that will be a load for the dogs; but I believe they
will pull it easy as they are now in good shape.
Spent the day down in the Adm. hut, enjoying
all the good food that is left there. At 8 P.M.
I got time-tick on radio tonight for the
first time, as Bramhall nearly correct time
for observation. The Ad. Base: 80° 07' 30", is equal
to 9 1/2 miles from L.A. - 163° 54'. He is a steady
worker on his magnetic work. He spent the whole
day in observing; and he is still working to-
night at 12 P.M. I let him sleep in my trail-
hut in order to fix out his heater. So I
pitched the small hut I found in L.A. just
managed to get my sleeping-bag in, and
then crawled into it, hoping to enjoy a
good night's rest.



OCT. 26

137.3 miles

42 1/2° F

19 What a tough night; cold. Terms went
down to 42° during the night, so I did not
sleep much: was chilly all thru. Had to
get up 5 times, and the same girlish dream.
19 It was clear and bright sunshine, and at
11 A.M. a wind 10 m. Started up; but we de-
cided to start anyway. Hoped to catch up with
the geolog. Party. All but first 4 T and. it was windy
19 but more on our backs and skins and sleds
went easy. Took us only 1 1/2 hrs to make 5 m.
where the other party had camped. We found that
Spears had left and would be at Ad. B. to
19 noon. Eastern Party 100 m. away. We went
straight through and camped 15.5 m south
of Ad. B. since is up day and night,
I am going to take over the cook job to-morrow
19 morning, hope that will go off ok.



OCT. 27

-37½° F.

149.1 miles

19 Beautiful weather and good visibility and got going at 9³⁰ - Surface good but towards afternoon we made only 14^{8/10} miles. - It was cold tonight for this time of

19 year. Hope to get it warmer in a week or so. Russel and Vaines dog were so tired, they had to make camp two miles north of us. Expecting tractors to come

19 here during the night. Good thing we took some extra fuel along to last it. a little warmer in tent before turning in. Being on the trail is a hard life in

19 these temps; no wonder very few come down here the 2nd time

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OCT. 28

158.7 miles

-39° F.

19 A good wind when we left this morning, approx. S.W. from S.E. and it was damn cold. The coldest we have felt it on this journey. Have foggy so we had difficulty picking up the flags, but

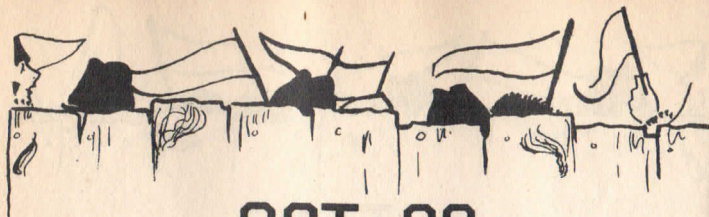
19 Albert did a good job going ahead, sometimes could not see him for drifts. Made 5 m. and stopped for Ob. got colder to stop. Had the fur-parka on and it protected the face

19 well. Got badly frost bitten on the chin. Did not feel it until the whole face was white. Albert told me. Camped after made only 9 3/4 miles. Good considering weather. The

19 other party was after us whole day, thought they should catch up with us. I had tasted good at 4 P.M., have radio-sched. so we will turn in early. This was a tough

19 Sunday. Good thing we have extra kerosene to dry our cloths.

THANKS FOR RADIO WISH YOU ALL LUCK ON YOUR TRIP MAILING YOU PACAKAGES TODAY ALL WELL HERE LOVE



OCT. 29

-38° F.

171.8 miles

19 Tried to get radio comm. this morning, but my batteries froze so I had to give it up. Could hear them for a while - a blizzard was blowing, so after sitting

19 up foraging we all turned in our bags at 10 AM. Slept until 1:30. Wind had then died down so we decided to go on. Paced the 150 M. beacon and camped at 13 1/2

19 miles. Clear and fine. Had lots of extra horse to night, and it all disappeared. Brown waked me up at 3:30 AM and said he could hear the tractor coming, I just turned over, but he called me again, after a while he finally found out it was Morgan snoring.

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OCT. 30

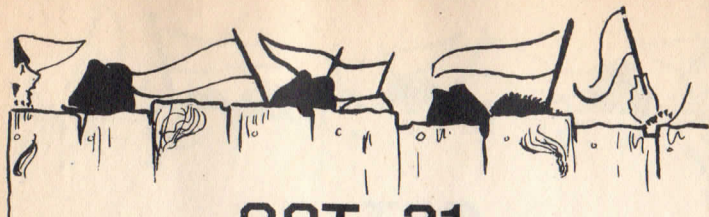
186.7 miles

44 1/2° F.

19 It was a hard day, and we made only 14 1/2 miles over fairly good surface. Passed our furthest south 10.5 miles beacon at noon and changed course

19 first to S.E. and later approx. 200 yds. to due south. Hope to avoid crevasses ahead of us and what we expect to pass to-morrow. An 8 mile wind made it very uncomfortable

19 felt frost bites on both cheeks. But it is funny to think of taking all this hardship for nothing, just for the pleasure of having been that far south. Hands were stiff from taking flags out of bundle with light gloves on and mark trail as it is new ground we are now travelling over. Brown and Morgan stayed over at 152 to take 86. - We expect 19 then had 9 P.M. We stopped at 6 P.M.



OCT. 31

-42 $\frac{1}{2}$ °F.

201.65 miles

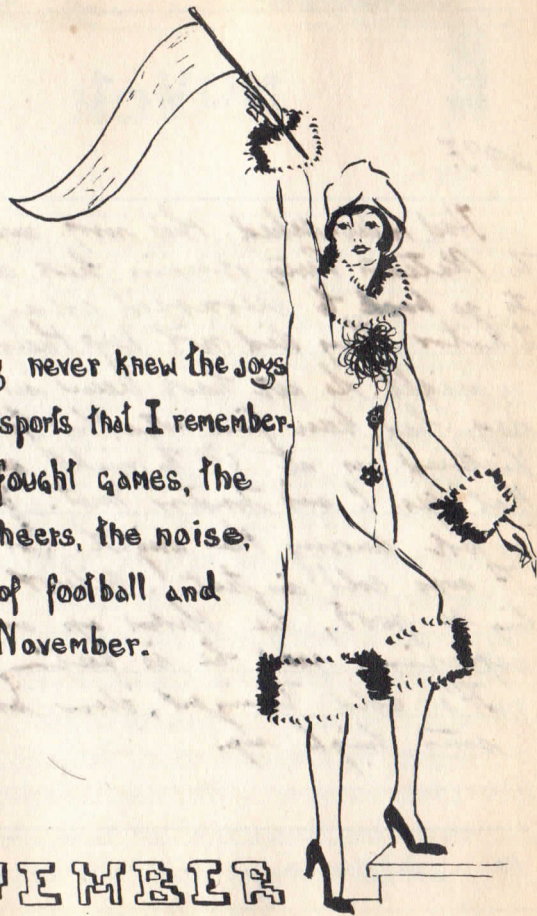
19 We followed on a straight south course and made approx 16 miles. A good breeze from S.E. - S.W. when we started, later during the day it changed to south, and

19 it was uncomfortable to head into the wind straight in the face. Had frostbite on both cheeks, and froze nose on my hands - than I have ever done so far.

19 Passed crevasses, first few only a couple of inches wide; but two of them were from 4 to 5 ft. large size holes snowcovered could not see bottom. One of them could

19 swallow the whole Citroën factory, so I doubt if the tractors can come safely thru. Found out that our tinicum ration is only $\frac{1}{2}$ of what it should be, I trusted.

19 Morgan that much at Admonal base Taylor sent him a sharp message this morn. and said we had eaten up the food at A. B.



Prin Mary never knew the joys
Of autumn sports that I remember.
The hard-fought games, the
cheers, the noise,
The thrill of football and
November.

NOVEMBER



NOV. 1

-39°F

201.65 miles

19 Had radio-sched. this morn. and was told to: Plateau Party remain here, and Geo. P. to go back to crossed area and meet Webster. They did not keep their sched. last

19 night. So we have been in camp all day had been fine weather for travelling. Listened in at 6:30 to night, and heard that Geo. P. and tractor met. Expect them

19 here during the night. Got a time-table. It was cold in tent. Albert is not feeling so good, he throbbed up and got some aspirin, now he is feeling better.

19 It's cold tonight, clear sky and the sun high up.

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NOV. 2

215.6 miles

-38°F

19 A day in camp is disappointing, and turning back to us, is still worse. That was what we did today. Had radio-sched. in morn. and told to return to where the tractor went through

19 a blind crevasse. Radio-sched started 7:30 and I was home at 9:40. We had to take Geo. P. stuff with us, and that made our loads heavy. I had on 11:00. It was good to go thru the alone crevasse

19 and we noticed them no more to-day, big open crevasse. Brown went there with his men ahead, it was a narrow escape. I went over to the edge and looked down, it looked bad, could see

19 60-700 ft. then darkness. It felt good to come in camp to-night all hands safe from tractor's accident. Snow was lying up whole day, but not had a bad wind straight in

19 the face, not get badly frost-bitten

BEST WISHES FROM YOUR WESTINGHOUSE COMPANY FRIENDS. NELL AND ANDREW SENDS THEIR REGARDS GOOD HEALTH AND LUCK. JAMES CUMMING



NOV. 3

-35° F.

232.35 miles

- 19 We left north from our camp at 11 AM. 8 m. to 161 m. between tractors went ahead on the right course. After 7 m. dog team went ahead, and 9 m. south east we struck the first crevasse. Decided to camp there for the night. After supper they all came over to our tent to discuss the problem, and from camp we saw with surprise to east, south east and south. Toward the east is complete unexplored ground, hoped for to see land there. So tomorrow two parties will go out with dog teams and radios. S. and G. - West. Talking to part 19th before we turned in. It seems now that the chances of getting to the plateau are very slim tomorrow night we will write L.G., and then parties will be reorganized. I don't care one way or the other. 5 going now and 2 supporting. It was cold to turn in the bag tonight



NOV. 4

249.8 miles

-40° F.

- 19 We all slept until 9 AM. Full on the 1st time the summit of the sun. Bram went to tractors last night, so we had plenty of room. 2 parties went out. I went with my party, westward 19 for 17 miles; but found only crevasses. I had to go ahead the dogs in a bit, tough job. Came back to camp 8³⁰ P.M. Connecting with L.G. at 11. and giving 19 suggestion. Turned in at 12³⁰. All hope of going south is given up.

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Bonne:

I have a message from your wife she is getting along well you may be sure that we will look after her while you are on the trail

NOV. 5

REB

-38° F.

24.7

- 19 Today was a big of many changes. Had radio comm with L.A. at 12. Then ordered Albert & I was to support get party south. Albert navigator & self leader.
- 19 To support 300 m. Tractor to return to 150 m. then east and south hoping to find way thru south. If etc fails long party will stay. The support have for a point where tractor have found possible land to assist in geological work. Traylor I prepared to return to L.A. after the trip south. Brambach to go with tractors.
- 19 He did not like it; but have to. - have rearranged all loads of 2-man support party. Morgan also feels very much disappointed; got radio from Traylor; but snowing talks no matter where you go. Did not start in before 1 AM and now 6¹⁵ we were talking and shooting the bull.

NOV. 6

253.8 miles

~~440° F.~~

40½° F.

- 19 Slept until 10 AM. and got breakfast in bag. Then refinished loading so at 12:22 we said Good-bye to the fellows we had breakfast with for 2 weeks. Both Brambach and Morgan fine fellows &
- 19 Both highly disappointed for not going south. We went thru dangerous ground, crevasses in almost all directions. It was misty so the visibility was poor. Dogs were tired
- 19 after a few miles; had 11 dogs in my team as we decided up Morgan team. They pulled more than 1100 lbs. Passed huge open holes; was many times nervous the whole
- 19 thing should crack thru. Dogs fell through right along. Had our good books and some extra food tonight, and stand now to be content with our fate to go 300 miles
- 19 and hope then to return to L.A. Do not believe tractor will find land close out.



NOV. 7

-25°F.

267.7 miles

19 Left at 10 AM. and had heavy surface skis and sleds would not slide. At 05 times I used my punning and it helped good. Dog were slow almost gone. It was foggy and it

19 was hard to see the snow surface a dark spot 50 ft. away could look like a big camp 5 miles away. We finally made 4 miles but it was thorny.

19 Had hooch tonight, but again Albot took too much shot in it; too I was not get only one bowl.

Quinn came over to us and gave us a good speech. His fluently English can not be surpassed.

Was surprised this morning to get a message from the Admiral. His consoling message

19 bother him. After camping Amviler was shot. He got a good feed first.



NOV. 8

279.4 miles

-15°F.

19 When we woke up at 7 AM a 25 mi wind was blowing and drifts going high outside the tent-door. So there was no going that early in the morning. Their fore turned over

19 in the bag and slept again to 1 PM. Dave slept very well. Lately, good and warm in the bag with ice all around on the upper part of the bag. Still feel it a great disappointment must not to

19 come further south. - at 2 PM is clear up and off we went, pulling & sking good. Dog feeling fine; but the boy are they hungry in the evening. They took away to right from

19 the line and came for me. I was carrying food bricks, but got them off again. Sun is now shining bright, and nice & warm. Now going to take over the cooking tomorrow

19 morning



NOV. 9

-80°

297.6 miles

19 Had a very good day, made more than 18 miles, over fine surface. It was cloudy and a fine view in the sky when the sun started to come down to the horizon, although sun is very high. We are tonight camped at 225 on beacon, where we are leaving some of our stuff. Dogs were hungry to-night, they swallowed a pemmican piece in our jingys, says $8 \times 2 \times 5 =$ and right away looking for more. They certainly are some thorough animals. Pulling is their life and joy. Before we start in the morning when they are in harness, they bark and jump up to get to their job, and their price is in the evening a small piece of pemmican. Received an answer from Taylor this morning, where he states it's ok. to cache goods at this place. Uncovered the iron runners and iced them to-night, also reloaded my sled.



NOV. 10

322.4 miles

-15°

19 A very good day and many miles, on good surface, dogs were wonderful. Brightest sunshine I've seen so far this year. Left 225 on beacon at 10 AM. and stopped here at 6³⁰. Teams were far apart, Stue, myself, Albert and far behind, Dick and Quinn. They build beacons every 5 m. to save fuel, which they place 2 m. apart. Used my runners this morning and it sure was improvement. Received them at noon. 30 mile miles and we are on our homeward journey. It is still a great disappointment to turn back, but I'll take it easy in L.A. and until I leave the ship in N.Y. Might ask for a trip on the "Bear" railroad to Mr. Murdo's camp. - Have plenty of lard left over, put in two meat-cakes, then had sweet hot milk and biscuits. Finished in 9 P.M.



NOV. 11

-15°F.

346.4 miles

19 Had a good day again, covered 24 miles to 275 m. beacon. Surface was hard and fine, got a late start because at 10 AM. They took an observation, built beacon, and

19 put out side-flags. A drift came up this afternoon and the puppies got scared, Mike also got scared of the drops of the snow surface, its cracking, the snow

19 settling. Hooks of one soul only, as change would be all right, hope to be back before flame igniting, will try to make at least 25 m. a day.

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NOV. 12

-36°F. miles.

-29°F.

19 Started late this morning, built beacon and put out side-flags, salt and rest.

Had brilliant sunshine and real warm we could ski sore landed and without

19 cap on. Surface was good, but it clearly showed that the dogs did not have quite so much "pop" as before. 50 miles in two days would have been hard for them.

19 Crossed the creek today, I will only 7 miles to go to 300 m. beacon.

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NOV. 13

15° F.

364.35 miles

19 This was a night of blizzard, it started at 3³⁰ this morning and continued until 6 P.M. to night. Was laying in bed from early watching how the tent took it. expected to

19 break any more. Did not turn out to 11 AM. and outside the door to cook tent was laying a dog buried. he woke up and I took him in tent & warmed up. Took tent later

19 but she was too shy. Were over to Quin for horse, as we want to turn around here. This is our farthest south. 83° - hope to get good weather in morning

19 the wind today was blowing 55 to 60 mi.

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thanks for radiogram glad you are well rolf says regards from your mother take care of yourself and good luck love



NOV. 14

83°-02'-lat.

157°-25'-Long.

-29° F.

397.35 miles

19 ~~There~~ was our day of further south. left at 8¹⁵ this morning on our home-ward journey. Have 243 miles to go. But we covered 33 miles before 5 P.M.

19 Camped and turned in. Had quite some trouble with my dogs, some of the puppies would not go at all. Was sorry to have to fight them. They went 18 m. this morning without a stop.

Said Good-bye to Steve Reine and Dick, also took some pictures. They were

19 happy to go on, and said they were sorry to see us go back.

My legs are aching to-night after that long walk.

19 Got radio game from his - Steve.



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My legs are aching to-night after that long walk.

19 Got radio gram from his - then Steve.



NOV. 15

433 miles

19 Did not get away before 11³⁰, and then had luck of a time to start the dogs. Anyway we took them up ahead. Made 135 miles to the 225 headons where I picked up the 19 radio. Went there where we turned on at 12 AM. Stopped at 7⁰⁰ and made breakfast and then made the last 40 miles

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NOV. 16

458 miles

19 Some trouble this morn. again with the dogs. They want lead. Albert went ahead 20 miles & I found going was tough. He made a good job out of it. Tries on the radio this morn. but my battery box fell on the floor and all connections loosened up, so I didn't get them hooked up before after 6¹⁵. Will try Monday. Are now camped at 000 in season.

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NOV. 17

49 1/2 miles

19 Today was a good day, in spite of bad weather and a blizzard that started 7 AM. It was blowing 30 mph wind that died down at 12 PM. We got away at 1:05 PM. Going

19 heavy. In the crevassed area the dogs fell thru, stopped at 173 m beacon and picked up 22 cans dog food, and some sledge equipment. Melted some water,

19 to drink and then started on again. Stopped at 12 P.M. Went ahead approx 12 miles, its treacherous, skis want slide, and more troublesome than hanging

19 to the G. Pole. But dogs want go ahead. Will try a change to-morrow

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NOV. 18

511 miles

19 Got our start at 11:30 and tried to split up the dogs in two teams. Worked hard to get Power to lead but it went too slow. Fine weather. Passed the 1st beacon also 55 & 150, where we

19 camped 3 1/2 miles north. Hope to make advance base tomorrow. Pretty tired in the evening

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NOV. 19

558 miles

19 This was a long and tough day started with radio sled at 8 AM. and it worked fine. Left camp at 12.5 and made good progress towards A.B. Alternated to go ahead. It

19 was tiresome. Tired after 5B at 6 to 8 ice under skin ok. Running too:

It was long and long hours. Arrived at 20.4 & 4.14. The 20th. Tired and

19 worn out; but we have been fixing food - food - food.

GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES HOPE EVERYTHING IS ALL RIGHT WITH YOU THANKS FOR YOUR TELEGRAM REGARDS FROM

SIGNE AND KOLBJORN

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NOV. 20

592 miles

19 We left Advance Base at 8¹⁵ P.M. had a nap from 5 to 7 and had still some more shredded roasts. Going was good, but surface was full of sastrangs and

19 it was hot to go ahead on skins. I went for 10 miles in one stretch, and perspiring although it is at night. It took us long time to make 34 m.

19 Had hoped for Chertov, but dogs started to get tired. So were we. Surface was getting smoother and ice under our skins helped fine.

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NOV. 21

624.4 miles

19 It was a short nap from 9 to 4 and legs were aching terrible. We had stopped our march at 8:30 AM. It was taken getting nice and warm.

19 Had a good sleep and at 5:45 we were at the trail again. Albert led for 10 mi. then I for 11 miles. Crater was 2 1/2 mi away from camp. Had very good

19 going and at 50 mi because we cut across saving 1 1/2 miles. On the main trail again, a strong wind with drifts came up, but we went thru. At 3:30 AM dogs were

19 tired so we camped. Hope we have 35 miles to go, and then rest. Expect to get away at 12 AM.

It was 1:30 when we started, it was misty, and 19 could not see surface, slow progress, Albert ahead and skier made 25 mi dip at 4:30. When I took the lead for 10 mi coming in towards L.A. - at 8 P.M. we stopped and put



NOV. 22

660.6 miles

19 up and cook tent, icy sunless, eat, and off for the last 15 miles. Soon sighted Amundsen's cairn with pressure and arrived here in L.A. at 11:45 P.M. being over 35.2 miles. Here

19 all was dead, snow pitched our tent, cooked food and turned in. Fired after few hours of sleep every night.

Was awakened at 6:30 by Flemming, night watchman and went to breakfast where we met the gang.

4 flights have been made during our absence, and tractor remains east.

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NOV. 23

Found it nice to be back again, after breakfast.

19 wrote down to Ad. Bldg. and found my bunk filled with junk of all kinds medical supplies. Dr. had done that he said so that nobody could get in there and take anything. Taylor came down and we had

19 a long talk. He explained what had gone and. Approached for Dr. exam. found I had lost only 3 pounds. Albert had lost 15 pounds. Was ok. They turned in and slept to 6 P.M. and had

19 supper. My appetite was enormous. Everything tasted so good.

Cleared my sled and went to B.H. where Pete had every thing nice and miter. He went along.

19 on a flight S.E. to tractor. were away 9 hours. Came back after 30 min. ordered by Adm. he wanted to go along. There are nobody up watching the plane. No interest showed at all. Turned in at 12 P.M.

19 Was movies in evening at 6 P.M. Possessed. Got Charlie's story for the press. -

the king for radio received glad to hear that you are well wishing you continuous good luck everything is very well home john and helga are now enged our best regards to admiral byrd HJERTELIG HILSEN FRA MOR AND JOHN AND HELGA



NOV. 24

19 It was a tough mite, could not sleep. Went 2nd meant to breakfast was hungry. Did I eat? - Albert was there before me. Dr. Paulter told me I am going to work with lines and soundings around here.

19 It will be ok. As far south as 30 miles. Fed dogs after breakfast, and turned in again. Then after 06. went down back.

Taylor and Albert came down after supper and

19 also Pete. Had shunk. -

Turned in at 11 P.M.

Have not seen Adm. yet.

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NOV. 25

19 Sleep was good last night too. Went to breakfast
8:20, full house. Then talking in mess hall until
10 AM. and went down here washing cloth.
People who saw Morgan thought her was two G. Palmer

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NOV. 26

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NOV. 29

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happy thanksgiving wishe you were here for turkey expecting john over here in january ralph due here december third if possible we will speak to you over radio december fifth where will you be about love thanks finn family and I wish you merry christmas best luck coming days regards from

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lillian ringdall

HAROLD



NOV. 30

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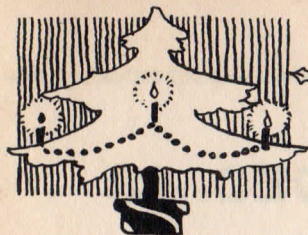
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OUR BEST CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR BIRTHDAY AND MANY HAPPY RETURNS ALL WELL HOME

MOTHER RAGNAR HELGR JOHN



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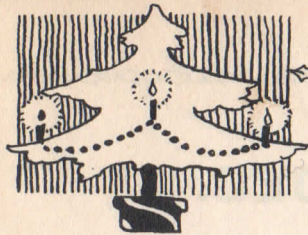
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SEASONS GREETINGS TO YOU FROM STEPHENS C/O MAILROOM WELLINGTON STOP SAME ALSO FROM MYSELF

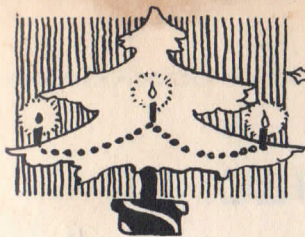
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GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES ON YOUR BIRTHDAY

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HOPING EVERY THING WELL WITH YOUR SOON YOU ARE ON YOUR WAY AM SENDING YOU A LETTER BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO YOU WISHING YOU MERRY XMAS AND A HAPPY NEWYEAR LOVE FROM US ALL YOUR SISTER

OUR BEST WISHES FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY CHRSMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR ALBERT EIVALBA



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES FOR XMAS

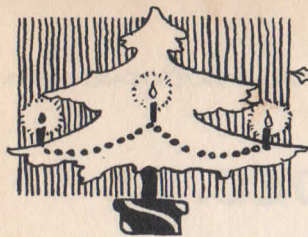
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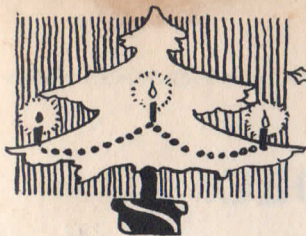
SIGNE AND KOLBJORN

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GUDNY



DEC. 18



DEC. 19

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Finn Ronne, Leader.

In company with Black you will depart from Little America as soon as possible and journey as rapid as possible to the tractor broken down at 136 miles.

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After you have delivered the spare parts to the tractor party you will remain with them and follow in to Little America.

Please keep all radio schedules as there may be changes in plans of which you should be advised. Good luck. Alan

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Morgan Ronne Black.

O.K. but please do not take too long. Siple went to Helen Washington please look for antarctic petrel rookery which Siple did not find

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Good luck REB

FROM US ALL YOUR BEST WISHES

BEST WISHES FOR XMAS

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SAME ALSO FROM MYSELF

DAY

SIGNE AND KOLBJORN

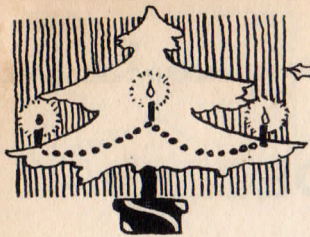
THE WAY AM SENDING YOU

AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR LOVE

GUDNY

OUR BEST WISHES FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

ALBERT LEIVALBA



DEC. 20

661 — 668 miles

My birthday and what a bore. Now out
19 on the trail again, a job I dislike
more than anything else. Was enjoying
the stay at L. G. Am with Black going 136
Mant. miles eastward to the tractor. Still spare =
19 parts. They are broken down. Should have left
yesterday but bad weather held us back. Now are
9 dog team, provision for one month, dog food
for 22 days. Left L. G. at 12 noon. None to see
19 us off; they seem as to be fed up our exploring and
mess stuff. Snow was soft so some places the only
sign of anybody pulling sleds were dog-tail wavings
in the snow. at 6 P.M. we had made 610 miles
19 stopped and made looch, at 8 P.M. left again,
was snowing no visibility sleds would not slide.
Had to camp after 9 1/2 miles. Wind increased
and drift started. Went over our food and cached
19 some of it here. BEST WISHES FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY FROM ALL OF US THANKS FOR RADIOGRAM GLAD YOU HEARD US
Sick and tired of the whole exp. turned in at 10 P.M.
We have decided to see this: The Near East Relief
Party



DEC. 21

668 miles

Have been in tent the whole day, wind approx 20
19 miles and drifts, no visibility. Our sleeping bags
were with water dripping all around us. It is
very miserable to be on the trail. Stayed in
bag tent 13³⁰ then made breakfast, reading
19 and spending the time. It is morn-
tenous, they can have the trail for
us now. Those who lay in their tents
get all the glory

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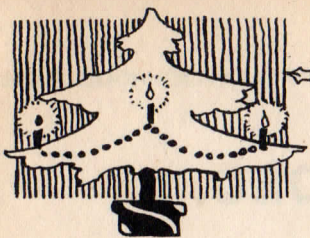
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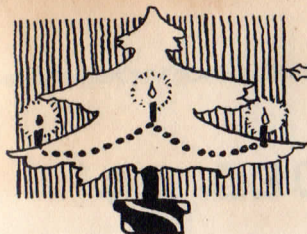
19 *Wind blowing in morning, lay back with, uncomfortable. Got started at noon, and made 9 miles when we stopped for supper and radio -*

19 *sked at 6:30. Travelled until 11:30 P.M. Progress very poor.*

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DEC. 23

697.4 miles

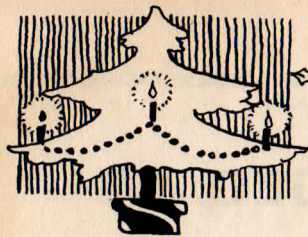
19 *It was blowing hard whole day, so we stayed in our bays. Listened to the special broadcast from N.Y. as usual, no-thing for me. Got started at 6:30 P.M.*

19 *and travelled until 1:30 P.M. Snow was real soft. dogs feel them*

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DEC. 24

723.4 miles

19 Christmas Evening, Nothing in my
socks tomorrow morning. It stops at
12 PM. at night had covered quite some
ground. Surface good. Snow fine.

19 Now camped with 60 m. between.

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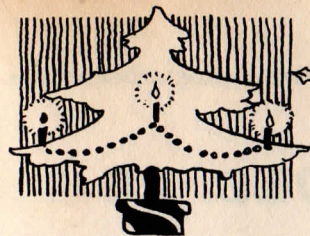
ALL GOOD WISHES FOR A HAPPY XMAS AND A BRINGHT AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

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MERRY XMAS REGARDS FROM HOME ALL WELL TAKE CARE
OF YOUR SELF LOVE

XMAS GTGS FROM JACK GRACE DOT BEATTY AND CLIFF CHRISTOPHERSEN
MERRY XMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR

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DEC. 25

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19 Christmas day, but still going strong. Got away
at 12:30 PM. travelling good. Passed Siple post
going up at 4 PM. They were in a hurry
and looked well. Got path to follow in

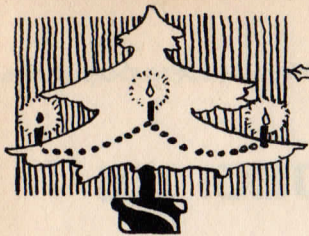
19 so we don't need to go ahead any more
I hope. Stopped at 6 PM for our Christmas
dinner, consisting of the same good food
and biscuits. Went ahead 8 miles before

19 we met eastern party. 11 miles made
to supper time. Got mountains in view
far away, hope to get to them.

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VERY BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY BIRTHDAY
BEAT-~~F~~ AND CLIF GAVE UP LAST WEEK
AND EVERYTHING IS JUST GRAND JACK IS
BALTIMORE

JOHANSEN



DEC. 26

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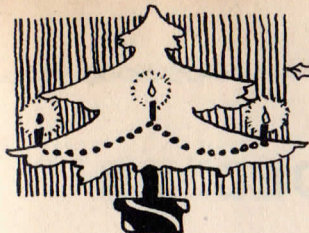
19 Travelling was pretty good, stopped
at 102 mi and placed a note for Duke
to get sun at 107 cut shot 2 1/2 in
and sampled. Took some good

19 pictures of notes.

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Thursday
DEC. 27

790.9 miles

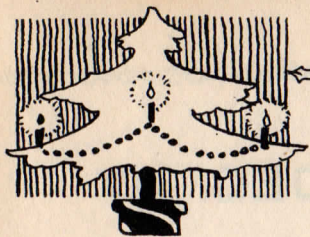
19 Arrived at tractor 11:30 PM. Stopped
at 120 ft suppress rods - 1000. Hills
up and down now we are at
1700 ft elevation. They were glad

19 to see us come. Had hooch
ready for us.

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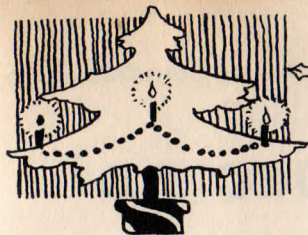
19 Left tractor camp. slept whole
day, turned out 4 P.M.
Tack, tack,

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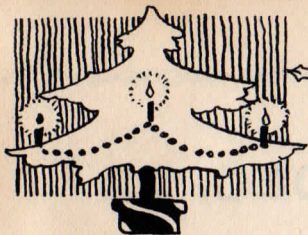
19 Left camp at 2⁴⁵ P.M. and
made 12 miles to 5³⁰
Stayed there whole day and
left at

19 Got answer from R.E.B. and
permission to go to Mammoth.

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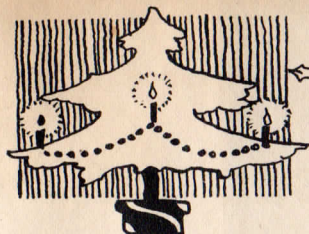
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DEC. 30

84 3.15 miles

- 19 I am on Sunday. Camped at 4:15 PM, close to Rockefeller notes, a fine view, Bright sunshine. Got going again at 3:30 and reached the 07:30 PM. Stayed with them until 10 PM and bedded for night. They were excellent. Morgan & Black did and came for lunch.
- 19 Stopped at 11:20 AM and made them something to eat, and went on to found camp. Took pictures on the way.
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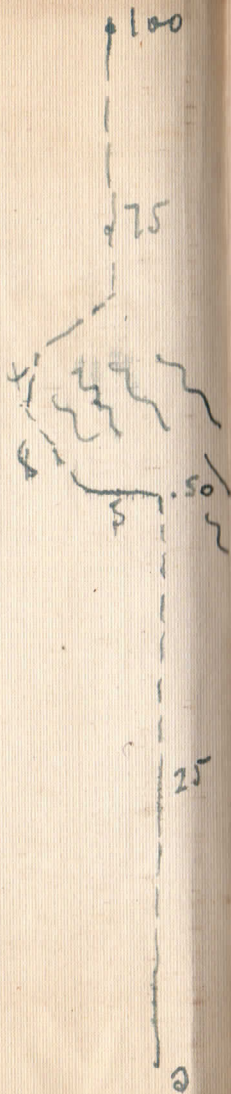
- 19 and arrived here at 2 AM. Made camp and had food ready for them at 4 AM. Turned on and slept to 6 PM. Ideal weather.
- 19 Left Glad on foot, and went for Mt. Wilson at 9 PM. Claimed Mt. Washington at 11 PM and spent time arduous those until 12:30. Replains came and took pictures, and dropped us a warning to us.
- 19 They instructively taught rockery and good stonks. Dogs had washed when we came back.

happy new year thanks for your flowers they were beautiful best wishes ~~for~~ from all and good luck love A HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM EVERYONE BEST WISHES FOR A SAFE JOURNEY HOME

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